

## LIMITED IN-PERSON ATTENDANCE PERMITTED

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# UPDATED AGENDA

## OCONEE COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING

**March 16, 2021**

**6:00 PM**

Council Chambers, Oconee County Administrative Offices  
415 South Pine Street, Walhalla, SC

### Call to Order

### Public Comment Session

*[Limited to a total of forty (40) minutes, four (4) minutes per person.]*

If you are not able to attend in person and you have a comment, you may submit it by contacting our Clerk to Council, Katie Smith at [ksmith@oconeesc.com](mailto:ksmith@oconeesc.com) or 864-718-1023, so that she may receive your comment and read it into the record.

### Council Member Comments

### Moment of Silence

### Invocation by County Council Chaplain

### Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America

### Approval of Minutes

- March 2, 2021 Regular Minutes

### Administrator Comments & Approval of 2021 Strategic Plan Report

### Attorney Comments

### Public Hearings for the Following Ordinances

If you would like to be heard during either of the public hearings, please contact Clerk to Council Katie Smith at [ksmith@oconeesc.com](mailto:ksmith@oconeesc.com) or 864-718-1023 so that she may coordinate your participation by telephone.

### Ordinance 2021-07 “AN ORDINANCE INCREASING THE “NOT TO EXCEED” TAX RATE

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FOR THE KEOWEE FIRE TAX DISTRICT FROM 14.5 MILLS TO 17.5 MILLS, CONSISTENT WITH ARTICLE VI OF OCONEE COUNTY ORDINANCE 2003-12, WHICH ESTABLISHED THE KEOWEE FIRE TAX DISTRICT AND KEOWEE FIRE COMMISSION.”

*General Government matter*

### **Third Reading of the Following Ordinances**

**Ordinance 2021-07** [see caption above]

### **Second Reading of the Following Ordinances**

*[None Scheduled.]*

### **First Reading of the Following Ordinances**

**Ordinance 2021-08** “AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A SPECIAL SOURCE REVENUE CREDIT AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN OCONEE COUNTY AND A COMPANY KNOWN FOR THE TIME BEING AS “PROJECT RISE” (THE “COMPANY”), WHEREBY OCONEE COUNTY WILL ENTER INTO A SPECIAL SOURCE REVENUE CREDIT AGREEMENT WITH THE COMPANY; AND ALLOWING FOR THE PROVISION OF CERTAIN SPECIAL SOURCE REVENUE CREDITS TO THE COMPANY; PROVIDING FOR THE LOCATION OF THE COMPANY’S PROPERTY IN A JOINT COUNTY INDUSTRIAL PARK; AND OTHER MATTERS RELATING THERETO.”

*An Economic Development matter*

*First reading in title only due to project development timeline*

### **First & Final Reading for the Following Resolutions**

**Resolution 2021-05** “A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING OCONEE COUNTY TO ENTER INTO AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL TRANSFER AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF SENECA, WHEREBY THE COUNTY WILL ACCEPT THE TRANSFER OF APPROXIMATELY 88.492 ACRES OF REAL PROPERTY, ALONG WITH CERTAIN EASEMENT RIGHTS IMPACTING ADJACENT LAND, ALL FOR PURPOSES RELATED TO SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL; AND OTHER MATTERS RELATED THERETO.”

*General Government matter*

### **Discussion Regarding Action Items**

**Reroof Seneca Library / Facilities Maintenance / Project: \$69,850.00**

**Contingency: \$6,985.00**

**Total Award: \$ 76,835.00**

**Budget: \$76,835.00 / Project Cost: \$76,835.00 / Balance: \$0.00**

This bid was issued January 29, 2021 to select a Contractor to reroof the Seneca Library. This bid was advertised and emailed to four bidders. On February 25, 2021, formal sealed bids were opened. Twelve (12) companies submitted bids with IES Coatings Inc., DBA: IES Roofing of Greenville, SC, submitting the lowest responsive and responsible bid of \$69,850.00.

It is the staff’s recommendation that Council [1] approve the award of bid ITB 20-03, Reroof Seneca Library to IES Coatings Inc., DBA: IES Roofing of Greenville, SC in the amount of \$69,850.00, plus a

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10% contingency of \$6,985.00, for a total award of \$76,835.00 and [2] authorize the County Administrator to execute documents for this project and sign any change orders within the contingency amount.

## **Council Approval to Add Medical Examiner/Forensic Pathologist Position in Coroner's Office**

Due to extenuating circumstances, it was not in the County's best interest to renew the intergovernmental agreement between Anderson County, Abbeville County, Greenwood County, and Oconee County regarding joint medical examiner services for the respective coroner's offices. To balance out the loss of services due to the County's termination of this agreement, it has been recommended that the County add a medical examiner/forensic pathologist position in the coroner's office. The selected candidate will be responsible for professional forensic pathologist services including performing autopsies and exams, generating examination reports, and consulting with law enforcement and coroner's office staff. Coroner, Karl Addis has recommended adding this position in the coroner's office at \$65,000 annually.

This is an essentially budget neutral action. Reimbursement costs under the intergovernmental agreement were previously paid out of the professional services line item.

It is staff's recommendation that Council approve adding this position in the coroner's office at \$65,000 annually.

## **PRT Commission-Local ATAX Recommendations / Spring 2021 Cycle / \$163,034**

A portion of Local ATAX revenues received by Oconee County are made available for ATAX grants through Ordinance 2011-12. ATAX grants are to be tourism related grants that meet the ATAX guidelines specified by local and State mandates. Grants are recommended by the PRT Commission based on tourism impact of the project and approved by County Council. All external ATAX grant recipients are required to turn in intermediate reports every 60 days to the progress of the grant and a final report upon completion of the grant.

It is staff's recommendation to approve the local ATAX Spring 2021 Cycle in the amount of \$163,034.00.

## **Board & Commission Appointments**

The Board & Commission seats listed below are co-terminus with Council District seats and will require [in the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of 2021] appointment and/or reappointment as follows:

### **Building Codes Appeal Board**

1 At-Large Seat: No questionnaire on file for this seat

## **Executive Session**

*[upon reconvening Council may take a Vote and/or take Action on matters brought up for discussion in Executive Session, if required]*

*For the following purposes, as allowed for in § 30-4-70(a) of the South Carolina Code of Laws:*

*[1] Discussion regarding an Economic Development matter, Project Ocean.*

## **Adjourn**

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